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SECSTATE FOR OC/P, FRANKFURT FOR FRDCO

- 1. BRDCO REQUESTS OC/P PROVIDE CLARIFICATION AND ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES CONCERNING CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WARRANT AND JUSTIFY REQUESTS FOR COURIER ESCORTS.
- 2. WHAT, PER THE FAM, CONSTITUTES "LARGE POUCH LOADS"?
 "FRDCO DOES NOT SUPPLY ESCORT FOR 450 KILOS COURIER
 LOADS UNLESS OUTSIZE ITEMS BEING MOVED." (FRA 5078)
 IS POUCH VOLUME TO BE THE ONLY CRITERIA? DO SUCH
 FACTORS ALSO PERTAIN, INTER ALIA, AS COURIER
 UNFAMILIARITY WITH THE AIRPORT COMPLEX, FLIGHT
 CHECK-IN FORMALITIES WHICH RESULTS IN SEPARATION FROM
 POUCHES, PLANESIDE SECURITY WATCH FOR TAKEOFFS AND
 LANDINGS AT AIRPORTS HAVING PASSENGER JETWALKWAYS, OR
 WHEN A COURIER SIMPLY STATES THAT HE NEEDS ASSISTANCE?
- 3. IT HAS BEEN BRDCO PRACTICE THAT WHEN IT NOTES ANY INDICATION OF UNUSUAL POUCH LOADS OR CIRCUMSTANCES TO FURNISH ITS COURIERS WITH AN ESCORT, AND HAS REQUESTED POSTS IN THE AREA TO DO LIKEWISE. UNCLASSIFIED

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4. THE DIVERSION OF ARFCOS MATERIAL TO THE RT. 200 CREATES AN UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCE. WHILE FRDCO'S USE OF THE DUTY OFFICER IN THE POUCHROOM FOR THE RT. 200 CHECK-OUT PARTIALLY FULFILLS THE NEED, WE STILL WOULD REQUEST THAT THE BRDCO COURIER BE ACCOMPANIED TO THE AIRPORT UNTIL THE CONTAINERIZATION SYSTEM IS OPERATIVE OUT OF FRANKFURT.

5. THE REFTELS WOULD APPEAR TO INDICATE THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR CLARIFICATION OR NEW CRITERIA ON THE SUBJECT OF COURIER ESCORTS.
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